

Important Information Regarding Trade Bans on Various Products

I. Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy

Taiwan considers the United States to be affected by Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) and prohibits the importation of numerous commodities from the U.S.

Regardless of the species of origin the following animal origin materials are prohibited import: **all rendered products** (including greaves), **all spray dried products**, and **all animal origin pet foods**, with the following exceptions:

1. All products (including pet foods) containing no animal origin materials other than milk-based ones, fish-based ones, gelatin-based ones, or combinations of milk-based and fish-based ones and gelatin-based ones;
2. Protein-free tallow and derivatives imported for uses other than animal feeding (Note: impurities must be below 0.15% as defined by OIE.) (All tallow remains prohibited from importation for animal consumption);
3. Pet food produced at facilities not handling any US origin ruminant materials (except dairy) if the manufacturing facility has been inspected and approved by Taiwanese officials and with exported with special certifications.
4. Spray dried porcine plasma protein produced at facilities that were individually approved by Taiwanese officials for export to Taiwan.
5. Any non-ruminant origin animal feeds that are imported under the Taiwanese Quarantine Requirements for Animal Feed Preparations (the Taiwanese importer must import clarify with Taiwanese authorities prior to import if product qualifies as finished "livestock feed" and can be imported under appropriate code.) Example: spray dried hydrolyzed protein derived from porcine intestine mucosa may be imported into Taiwan only if imported under the requirements of the Quarantine Requirements for Animal Feed Preparations. These products must be imported under the following Taiwanese (C.C.C.Code) Classifications in order to be exempt from the prohibition (The exporter must confirm prior to exporter that the Taiwanese importer is importing the products under the required code.):
 - (a) 2309.90.90.10-4 "Preserved feeds ingredients"
 - (b) 2309.90.90.21-1 "Calf milk replacer"
 - (c) 2309.90.90.22-0 "Piglet milk replacer"
 - (d) 2309.90.90.29-3 "Other stock feedstuff"

(e) 2309.90.90.30-0 “Poultry feedstuff”

(f) 2309.90.90.40-8 “Fish feedstuff”

(g) 2309.90.90.90-7 “Other preparation for animal feeding”

Taiwan has verified that there are **NO** BSE based prohibitions on the following commodities:

1. Dicalcium phosphate, which is protein-free and oil/fat free;
2. Gelatin and collagen derived from the skins of cattle, goats, or sheep;
3. Milk products;
4. Hides and skins;
5. Hydrolyzed feather meal.

II. Low Pathogenicity Notifiable Avian Influenza (LPNAI)

The following poultry products from the States of **California, Idaho, New Hampshire, New Jersey, and New York** are prohibited import into Taiwan:

Carcasses, offal, and other products derived from poultry. All poultry products including heat treated products are prohibited. The only exceptions are listed below.

Exceptions to ban:

First exception:

Canned and other hermetically sealed products (hermetically sealed pouches). Pet food that is derived from poultry origin ingredients is banned even if the pet food is produced at facilities previously inspected and approved by the Taiwanese government, unless it is (1) hermetically sealed or (2) heated at a minimum of 70°C for 30 minutes.

Second exception:

Products imported into Taiwan under all requirements of the Quarantine Requirements for Animal Feed Preparations. These products must be imported under the following Taiwanese (C.C.C.Code) Classifications in order to be exempt from the prohibition (The Taiwanese importer is responsible for ensuring products are being imported under the required code and, certified as having been treated at **70 C for at least 30 minutes.**)

Third exception:

While the suspension does apply to table eggs and certain fresh/frozen products, other fully processed egg products, such as egg yolk powder or whole egg powder, are not subject to import quarantine and are therefore exempt from the prohibition. However, in most cases, these products are not certified by APHIS.

Fourth exception:

Dry Animal Products NOT Intended for Animal Feeding- certified as indicated in the document entitled “Dry Animal Products NOT Intended for Animal Feeding” in the section entitled: “Requirements for products from areas NOT recognized by Taiwan as free of the above noted diseases.” (To find this document, go back to the page entitled “ANIMAL PRODUCTS EXPORTED TO TAIWAN” and scroll down.)

Shipments from states outside of CA/ID/NH/NJ/NY transshipping

CA/ID/NH/NJ/NY - Taiwan has prohibited the import of all prohibited poultry products that have transshipped **CA/ID/NH/NJ/ NY**, other than in sealed (ocean freight or air cargo) containers. If the bill of lading indicates that the product transited a banned state, the container seal number has to be included on the export certificate- and the export certificate has to be issued in a non-banned state.